

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

July 2, 2019

GOV. MSG. NO. 1277

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Thirtieth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 2, 2019, the following bill was signed into law:

SB1037 SD1 HD1 CD1

RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. **ACT 175 (19)**

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

THE SENATE
THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2019
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 175 S.B. NO. S.D. 1 H.D. 1 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 709-906, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (8) to read as follows:
- 3 "(8) Where the physical abuse consists of intentionally or
- 4 knowingly causing bodily injury by impeding the normal breathing
- 5 or circulation of the blood [of the family or household member]
- 6 by [applying]:
- 7 (a) Applying pressure on the throat or the $neck[\tau]$ with
- 8 any part of the body or a ligature;
- 9 (b) Blocking the nose and mouth; or
- (c) Applying pressure to the chest,
- 11 abuse of a family or household member is a class C felony [-];
- 12 provided that infliction of visible bodily injury shall not be
- 13 required to establish an offense under this subsection.
- 14 For the purposes of this subsection, "bodily injury" shall
- 15 have the same meaning as in section 707-700."
- 16 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 17 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 18 begun before its effective date.



- SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 1
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on upon its 3
- 4 approval.

APPROVED this 02 day of

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: April 26, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2019.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2019 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Chief Clerk

House of Representatives